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Dear Mr. Thuerner:

It was good to talk with you today by  
phone. The material I mentioned is enclosed.

I quite agree with you that the upcoming  
Conference on the C.I.A. sponsored by the new  
Center for National Strategic Studies might  
result in a "gangup" on the Director, although  
he can certainly take care of himself.

As I mentioned, the Fund for Peace, to which  
the CNSS belongs, staged a "conference on "The U.S.  
Military in November, 1972, at the New Senate Of-  
fice Building, under the sponsorship of Senator  
Hughes of Iowa. Apparently he realized he was  
sucked into it because the conference immedi-  
ately devolved into a wholesale anti-military tirade  
by the usual type of "get the U.S. out of Viet-  
nam", "peace at any price" critics.

Hughes opened this conference with a brief  
speech of welcome, then turned it over to Ex-Sen-  
ator Gore of Tennessee and departed, never to re-  
turn. Gore, once he got the drift of things,  
excused himself to "catch a plane to California".  
He, too, was seen no more after the noon break.

The military, as you can understand, took a  
beating. One or two pro-military participants  
left in disgust. One of them was the managing  
editor of THE ARMY TIMES. Incidentally, Dean  
Rudoy, who acted as "PR Director" of the Con-  
ference, self-styled (he had no connection with  
Hughes' office), later became Education Director  
for SANE, and is now with In The Public Interest,  
a radio-newspaper propaganda play for the Fund  
for Peace.

A so-called "conference on Chile" sponsored  
by Senator Hughes last Spring had the same results.

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